

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present patent application is the national stage of PCT patent application PCT/IB2004/001948, filed on June 11, 2004. The present patent application claims priority to Italian patent application VC2003A000115, filed on June 13, 2003. The claims amended herein are the claims that were previously amended during the PCT phase on April 13, 2005.

This preliminary amendment is entered to eliminate the multiple dependency of claim 12, making claim 12 now dependent only from claim 6, and to change the dependency of claim 9 from claim 4 to claim 6. No new matter has been added.

If it is felt for any reason that direct communication would serve to advance prosecution of the present application in this case, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney of record, Franco A. Serafini, by telephone, fax, or e-mail.

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